view of its working was carried out in 1989-90. This led to restructuring of the Board. alongwith revision of the Wastelands Develcoment Programme, with a view to enhance effectiveness. The new approach focusses on enlisting people's participation, harnessing inputs of science and technology and achieving inter-disciplinary coordination in programme planning and implementation. The strategy aims at integrated land-use planning on watershed basis, village level action plans, emphasis on conservation and natural regeneration, fuelwood, fodder and timber production and technology extension. This programme is being implemented with renewed vigour, mainly through the State Governments, which have been advised recently to strengthen the monitoring mechanism and ensure improved results. The Wastelands Development Programme will be expanded during the Eighth Five Year Plan, which is under finalisation. On the basis of a review of working and experience gained, further steps may be taken.

Leasing of Surplus Railway Land

1961. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA
WASNIK:
SHRI SHANKER SINH
VAGHELA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI
VAJPAYEE:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:
SHRI ARVIND TRIVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to lease out surplus railway land and other idle properties in metropolitan cities and other places to the private builders;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme and the terms and conditions of the contracts in this regard; and

(c) the area of the total surplus railway land?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (c). At present there is about 61,000 hectares of vacant land in the Railway. However, all this land cannot be declared surplus as most of the railway land lying vacant at present is required for Railways' future developmental works. It is proposed to explore the feasibility of commercially exploiting space over railway land and land presently lying vacant without obstructing the use of the land by Railways when required with a view to generating additional resources for Railways' developmental projects.

Development of Infrastructural Facilities to Promote Tourism

- 1962. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government have decided to develop basic infrastructural facilities at 15 centres in the country to promote and encourage tourism; and
- (b) if so, the details of the centres identified?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government are in the process of formulating a scheme to develop special tourism areas. However, these areas would be identified in consultation with the State Governments.

Nehru Yuwak Kendras

1963. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives behind setting up of the Nehru Yuwak Kendra Sangathan and appointment of Nehru Yuwak Kendras District Co-ordinators: and
- (b) the details of the grants released to the Nehru Yuwak Kendras District Co-ordinators during 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-927

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESORUCE DE-VELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF YOUTH AF-FAIRS AND SPORTS AND DEPTT. OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI MAMTA BANERJEE): (a) The objective of Sangathan may kindly be seen in the Statement attached.

(b) During 1989-90, Rs. 3.30 Crores was released to Nehru Yuva Kendras towards establishment and Rs. 3.32 Crores was released for programmes. Regarding release of funds for 1990-91, during the month of April, 1990 an advance of Rs. 17.500/- was given to each Kendra for programme and subsequently due to the ban on release of programme funds effective form June 1990, no further programme funds were released. However approximately Rs. 75,000/- was released for establishment and salaries pertaining to each Kendra. As far as 1991-92 is concerned, the ban was lifted in the month October 1991 and Rs. 35,000/- as advance has been released to each Kendra for Programmes apart from Rs. 63,000/- as advance for meeting the establishment expenses.

STATEMENT

The objectives for which the Sangathan is astablished are:-

> i) To take over, manage, administer and run the existing Nehru Yuva Kendras:

- To establish, run, man-(ii age and administer new Nehru Yuva Kendras anv where in India and evaluate their working:
- (iii To promote and develop the concept of national integration, solidarity and secularism among the vouth:
- To involve the youth in iv) programmes that would facilitate the organisation of youth leadership training programme, community singing, cultural activities, work Camps, Sports activities, Self-help programmes. Physical and Adult Education character - building and Cooperative movement etc.
- To function as a co-ordi-V) nation agency to link the vouth with various departments/agencies of the Government administering programmes like integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP). Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM), Self-Employment, Health and Family Welfare Programmes. Adult Education etc.
- vi) To create an awareness among the rural youth and providing them necessary guidance for taking advantage of various rural developing programmes;
- vii) To organise special train-

ing programmes for the functionaries in order to familiarise them with the programmes/schemes of various departments/ agencies being implemented in rural areas:

- viii) To establish, run, manage and administer Regional offices of Sangathan anywhere in India:
- To create administrative. ix) technical and non-technical and other posts and to make appointments, promotions and transfer thereto:
- To collaborate with State X) Governmetns, Union Territory Administrations and other Organisations in and outside India for furtherance of its objectives:
- xi) To advise the Government of India on all matters within its purview either suo-motto or on a reference from the Government:
- xii) To organise, sponsor, and finance seminars, conferences etc. in the field of youth and allied matters;
- To undertake, sponsor xiii) and encourage publication of journals and literature relating to youth:
- To institute, offer and grant XIV) prizes, awards and stipends in the implementa-

tion of these objects:

- To constitute Boards. XV) Committees or other bodies as may be deemed fit and to prescribe their powers, functions, tenure etc.:
- xvi) To accept and collect donations, grants and gifts and to undertake management of any endowment or trust and to make donations, grants and gifts for the purpose of these objects:
- To borrow and raise xvii) money with or without security of moveable and immovable properties belonging to the Sangathan provided that the prior approval of the Government of India is obtained in that behalf:
- xviii) To acquire, purchase or otherwise own, take on lease or hire, moveable and immovable properties and to sell, mortgage. transfer or otherwise dispose of any-such moveable or immovable properties, but the prior approval of the Government of India in respect of such immovable properties shall be obtained:
- xix) To make Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the affairs of the Sangathan and to add. amend, vary or repeal them from time to time;

- To maintain a 'Fund' which XX) shall be vested in the Sangathan:
- xxi) Generally to take all such measures as may be found necessary from time to time to achieve its objectives: and
- To do all such acts and XXII) things as the Sangathan may consider necessary conductive or incidental to the attainment or enlargement of the aforesaid objects or any one of them.

Rajdhani Express between New Delhi and Bangalore

1964. SHRI, K.H. MUNIYAPPA: SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRI-YAPPA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is only one train running between Bangalore and New Delhi:
- (b) if so, whether the Government propose to introduce a Rajdhani Express between these two cities in view of heavy rush of passengers on this route:
 - (c) if so, when; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Feasibility of running a Raidhani type of train between Bangalore and New Delhi is being examined. No timeframe has been fixed.

(d) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Setting up of Primary Health Centres

1965, SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of primary Health Centres set up during the last three years. Statewise:
- (b) whether the target to set up one primary Health Centre for every 30,000 population is yet to be achieved; and
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Statement-I showing the Statewise number of Primary Health Centres set up in the country during the last three years viz. 1988-89, 1989-90 & 1990-91 is attached.

- (b) Primary Health Centre is established for a population of 30,000 in plain area. 20,000 in tribal and billy area under the minimum needs programme. As per records available with the RURAL HEALTH DIVI-SION. 22 States/UTs have achieved the norm of 1 PHC per 30,000 population. 8 States/UTs have not vet achieved the National norm. Details of the States/UTs according to coverage of population by a PHC is given in the attached Statement-II.
- (c) Funds for Primary Health Centres is released directly by the Planning Commission to the States, who are responsible for establishment of the same. Targets for VIIIth Plan are now being finalised by the Planning Commission in consultation with the State Government.